THE MOTORMAN'S TRYING JOB

PEOPLE YOUNG AND OLD WHO

COMPAN'S TRYING JOB

COMPANIES. We have more small accidents then than at any other time of the week.

More women are dragged or thrown from moving cars and it posses the officials for awhile. But after a time we found that most of the victims were servant girls, particularly Irish and colored girls, and the accident was generally due to leaving the car before it stopped and, incidentally, stepping off the wong way.

Then, by a system of reasoning that Sherlock Holmes might scorn, it is so simple they decided that the accidents were Carelessness and Recklessness That Lead de man That the Public Doesn't Hear Much About The Sunday Hoodoo Hour.

*That Pittsfield motorman who ran down Mr. Roosevelt's carriage and then asked the President whether he thought he'd done it on purpose was fresh, altogether too fresh

but, just the same, I know how he felt." So said a New York motorman with a gilt band on his sleeve, as, with the lighting of a "As to all this nonsense about mobs formfresh pipe, a reminiscent look came into his ing to attack reckless motormen, let me

You see, it's this way: When we get into a smash-up the first thing we feel is the awful shock, physical and nervous- a feeling that heaven and earth are coming together and

we're right smack in the middle. *Then there comes a sickening sensation of sorrow for having burt some one, and at last an indefinable fury with the person burt, for nine chances out of ten it was his his fault, not ours

"Now hold on a minute. Don't say we are a reckless lot until you've heard our side of the story. Ever notice the peculiar vell a motorman gives when he's almost

n you down?
"You think it is a warning, don't you? The say what these in the thick of the rioters did not see, and when it was ever Well, it min't Twould be too late for warn-ing. It is just an expression of horror at members of the gang owned up to the

what he has almost done. *And then you look up, and wave your umbrella and threaten to report him to the company and use bad language and wonder their passionate love for children will set their passionate love for children will be whole population and the passionate love for children will be whole population and the passionate love for children will be whole population and the passionate love for children will be whole population and the passionate love for children will be whole population and the passionate love for children will be whole population and the passiona why the motorman looks so mad anyhow.

But, just the same, after you get over this scare, say in about forty-eight hours, you're back at your old trick of dodging between two cars coming from opposite directions.

*Whenever I read something in a paper shout the unfeeling motorman that has run down some heipless child, I get just 'dotty' her; but let him be crossing at some level, mad. Unfeeling! What do outsiders know about the way the motorman feels?

Then, when you think about cities which have very steep grades, like Kansas City bave very steep grades.

says nothing. His company respects an employee who does not talk until he is put is an accident like the one on that steep hill on the witness stand, or is called up to re- our port before his superiors.

"A motorman may be standing coolly at his post after an accident, while his inspector is taking the names of witnesses, &c., but there is no telling what sort of a Mont Pelce is doing business inside of him. His teeth may be set hard, but there's a sick feeling excelling up inside of him, a wild desire to prove how efficacious they really are sort of the cool of t "A motorman may be standing coolly at

"I remember when I first started in It the accident "From what I have seen I believe fenders "From what I have seen I believe fenders are worded thorwas over on the East Side in New York where babies are thicker than flies, and where why, sir, I'd wake up nights with a yell of warning, thinking there was a youngster measures the distance to the car with his eye and forgets the existence of the fender.

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"It fairly got on my wife's nerves, and finally I made up my mind I'd have to take it cooler or give up the job. A motorman whose nerves get on edge is useless to the company. It needs a calm, ensy-going, philosophical chap for that sort of work, philosophical chap for that sort of work.

philosophical chap for that sort of work.

'It is generally supposed that a motorman bases his jeb if he has trouble on the line, but this is a mistake. The company finds that a man who has had his little accident and was not to blame in the matter generally makes a safer motorman than the

that he will report to the that he prefers some other line of work. If he has been a satisfactory employee he may be put at work in some other department. by in the offices, or around the barns. This,

"For in-stance, take cases where children wilfully, yes, maliciously, dodge back and forth before the cars. You can see it every

a car in forty-five yards, but what is forty-five yards when a little rascal suddenly decides to see how near he can come to being it without doing it?
"I remember about six years ago my wife

took it into her head to go back to her home in Chicago, so I threw up my job in New York and got a run that took me right through what is known as the Polish quarthrough what is known as the Polish quarters. If there is anything more aggravating than a Polish youngster with a streak of American devilment stirred in I'd like you to show it.

has returned from Port Arthur on the streamer Nippon Maru. He has been acting as consulting engineer for the fortifications at Port Arthur, but wouldn't talk of his appropriate to the polish p

"There was one boy who seemed to think that because he lived in our neighborhood it was fun to scare the motorman, and he'd give me heart failure just about once in so often. I spoke to his father about it, but often, I spoke to his father about it, but there is no machinery like ours. If this feeling is preserved by our actions toward them, there is no doubt that a vast toward them, there is no doubt that a vast toward them, there is no doubt that a vast toward them. There was one boy who seemed to think | work there, as it is a State secret. He said:

it was fun to scare the motorman, and he of give me heart failure just about once in so often. I spoke to his father about it, but the old man got gay and talked back.

"At last, when the kid had been particularly aggravating one day. I armed myself with a good long blacksrake whip and as I jerked up my car, pre-upretire to spare the took the matter up with the company, telling his side of the story only "When the superintendent heard my side.

he just grinned and said that if the motor-men were all equipped with blacksnake whips perhaps the company would have less o pay. And that was the last I heard of the case.

It seems like a pasty choice for a method of committing suicide, but sure it is that more persons than you dream of go by this

route.
"Shortly after I got back to New York I was running on the Amsterdam avenue line and, you know, we make pretty good time going down those hills. I saw a chap stand-ing in the middle of the block, near the racks, and waved to him to go on to the

corner where we stopped.
"He didn't budge and when we came spinning down, he threw himself right in front of the car and we were over him before I could as much as shut my eyes. There was no mistaking that he deliberately stood there waiting for death to come his way, but heaven only knows why it happened to

he in the form of my car dents is the absentmindedness of women

out shopping.
"I have stood at the intersection of Sixth avenue, Broadway and Thirty-fourth street and wondered how so many escaped. A woman will stand glancing leisurely through her shopping list or picking things over in

and wondered how so many escaped A woman will stand glancing leisurely through her shopping list or picking things over in her purse.

"Several cars will pass, chances for crossing the street in safely will come and go, and she will not notice. Then suddenly the notion to get onto the other side of the street will strike her, and like an arrow she darts a way.

"Cars may be coming from both ways and diagonally on Broadway, forty people may yell at the top of their lungs, but by some mysterious working of Providence she lands on the opposite sidewalk, stops coolly enough and looks about her as much as to say. What are you all making so much fuss about?

"If she doesn't happen to make it well it's the careless motorman again. Have you ever seen a woman reading her shopping list while she crossed a crowded thor-

it's the careless motorman again. Have you ever seen a woman reading her shop-ping list while she crossed a crowded thoroughfare? Carr you look on that picture and then fail to feel some sympathy with

us motormen?
"Now, here is another funny thing. We have noticed that 10 o'clock Sunday night is a regular hoodoo hour for the motor

-they decided that the accidents were due to the anxiety of these women to get to their homes. It seems that in all board-

iots are started by thugs who pick pockets

"It was all the inspector and policemen

could do to protect the motorman and get his car under way. But the official had been watching the other end of the game.

The one district where a riot of this sere

Gen. Sooysmith.

and the other side. The same is true i China and Japan. I met one Chinese mer

That may not be a popular thing to say, but it is true

are straining every nerve to obtain this tr de. They have thoroughly equipped con-su'ar bureaus and are spending enormous

sums of money in making most minute investigations of Oriental commerce, while our Consular service is simply pitful. One of our consuls, a man of great ability, told me he was almost helpiess for want of funds and assistants, and be knew well that his

tenure of office was uncertain.
"Nevertheless, the reputation of our goods among the comparatively few that

Russians are splendid engineers and

build with great stability and intelligence. They use a great deal of American material.

On the new Siterian railway there are hundreds of American locomotives in use.

HOTEL'S FRONT DOORBELL.

An Incident of Arrival at a Great Broad-

way Hostelry, Rarely Noticed.

of the most profitable hotels in this country,

met him and reheved him of his baggage.
This performance is repeated many tin

in the course of an hour, sometimes twice in

The biggest hotel in Broadway and one

"German, English and Russian merchants

EVEN SLAVES STAKED ON CARDS

ing houses and in many private families a rule prevails that girls must be in by 100 clock. A girl is late and in her anxiety to get in before the house is closed for the night she throws considerations of personal safety to the winds and jumps from the old South Carolina Jockey Club passed in out of existence," said an old citizen of this town, "Charleston was undoubtedly a leader in the South in the matter of gambling.

"New Orleans had its big poker games, and the Mississippi River stramers never universally, and lotteries had a free reign

when the crowd forms. The company has found this to be true over and over again.

"Recently one of our head officials witnessed just such an eccurrence in the northern part of the city on the East Side. The car had run over and leadly injured a little of the city on the same control of the city of the cit "It is a well-known fact that a Presbybuilt with funds from a lottery and many other institutions got their start from the lit was a bill of sale for Lewis, and he tossed it in the pot terian church in this city was practically cite girl. The ambulance had arrived, the inotorman had agreed to appear in court at a certain hour, the inspector had done his work and the crowd was dispersing when a tough came out of a salcon with some kindred spirits at his heels and incited the sentence.

"Some time ago I was reading a story about black slaves having changed lands in a poker game. Generally, such a statement would be denied, but there are instances on record which carnet be discussed in a roll of bills that could not have been less than \$2,000.

"And I'll raise you," he said, in the stances on record which carnet be discussed in a roll of bills that could not have been less than \$2,000. stances on record which cannot be dis-

"I was present one night in a gambling | house here when a well-known planter ships and then lost them against the farobank. The pegro vatched the play without understanding it and the big tears came o his eyes when papers were drawn up transferring his ownership.

"On another occasion I saw a slave change "On another occasion I saw a slave change hands at the race track whose owner had went back to the Colonel and nursed him wagered \$2.500 on his horse, and when he failed to min be had to make good. But the family burial ground." failed to win he had to make good. He was not able to produce the cash, so the servant was sold with as little ceremon; as if he had been a horse and was claimed | An Honest Man Who Prospered Before out of a selling race. "You will find it on record somewher

that a slave bought his freedom by winning in a Charleston lottery. He had saved up his cents, and after dreaming for a week he bought a ticket. It cashed. He go nearly \$3,900, and he immediately removed out in Cincinnati, where a car plunged straight down the incline, it is sure to be terrific and fatal to all concerned; but these the chains of bondage by paying the price

"There was no crookedness, and planter yell out, or to sob aloud, or do some other fool thing. And every time he sees an ambulance for weeks afterward it'll make him turn cold.

"I remember when I first started in II." financially by putting too much faith in the most sensational character

are really dangerous on a crowded there ought are like Broadway, where ears run bet \$10,000 on the result of a race and nove

should have dropped in for gentlemanly betting with men who would never wager a fatalaccident, and, after proving that they were not to blame, report for duty two days later and go right over the same run. They are sorry, of course, but tretting won't help them nor the company and it's more likely to cause nervousness and another accident.

Well met, be can get through the tangle betting with men who would never wager a dollar with a professional gambler, and yet this was exactly what the young man was. He came down here for a killing.

"It's a hig thing, too, to have your road in good standing with truckmen. If the other laboring classes are down on a road for any reason they can make it mighty had for us.

"Good will is worth those in making time purse event worth \$1,000, all ages, and one

cause nervousness and another accident
"Good will is worth more in making time of the wealthy men of Charleston had at he will report to the superintendent date equipment. You can't make time offered to wager \$10,000 on Inspector, a

best two in three. I think there were three starters. The Charleston player could not

won by Monte, John Campbell's cel. After this heat the stranger said he would double the wager, under the same conditions, and

was accepted.
"Jeff Davis won the second heat easily making the best time for the second four-mile heat, and establishing a track record. Davis took the third heat, and the stranger slaves to make good

slaves to make good.

"From that time on the plunger kept winning. The next day he cleaned up a sum equally large by backing John Harrison's bay horse, Nat Pope, by Sovereign, who won the Jockey Clab purse for three mile heats.

"But the voting man did not carry away all his winnings. He was just as much of a

plunger in a gambling house as he was or the track, and after going up against the fourteen fare banks in the city he was left about backing their horses every time they were sent to the post. They took a personal pride, and this was so strong that starters vere backed out of sympathy even wh

he owners knew that they were outclassed.
"From all accounts this last season a Saratoga was noted for its high gambling, but when you clip off fifty years of ad-vanced ideas Charleston was certainly in the front rank as a gambling resort before the Jockey Club meetings were abandoned. There was a reckless expenditure of money not found since, and I doubt if it will ever be equalled in this old city

"It was play among gentlemen, where the professional element was kept within bounds, though in later years the Southorn gentleman frequented the gambling palaces and plunged for high stakes. It was in one of these places that I saw a famous Colonel lose his faithful negro attendant through a bad streak of luck.

"It came down to the last deal, and in a "It came down to the last deal, and in a to the bench recently resigned as Justice and deliberate. The slave, however, was

"He watched the game without under-standing it, but his trained ears told him that one turn would decide his fate. Ordinarily a slave might not have cared but this mandid, and he waited breathlessly

while the dealer drew out the cand.

"And the smile which came over the dealer's face, generally cold and flerce, sent an electric current to the bondman's heart which told him that his master had

lost. And he had.
"The slave begged, but there was no use, for the owner had passed through a losing week, and as he never allowed his gam-bling debts to stand over night the man had to be transferred without more ado. After that the slave was the regular at-tendant in the gambling house, and he often watched with interest the occasional plunging of his former master.

"The remarkable part about that bond-man's career was that he finally got back to his original owner through a daring bluff in a poker game. Before the war they played poker in Charleston, as elsewhere, on a different principle from today.
The five cards were dealt, and a player

was not allowed to draw and better his hand. He had to take pot luck. There was not much science about it, and so many opportunities were offered for four-flushing that the game got the universal

GAMING IN OLD CHARLESTON. where his old valet was a porter when a big game was started. While he played fare in the public house he never sat down to a poker table, but he took a chance this

he told me afterward that he was seized. "He told me afterward that he was seized with a sudden desire to get the negro again. His conscience had always pricked him, he said, because Lewis, the slave, was faithful to a high degree.

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"As the betting started he sent the chips in so rapidly that all the players dropped out with the exception of the gambler who ran the place. He came back at the Colonel every time the latter raised.

"Look here, Bill, said the Colonel, as he pulled a fresh cigar from his pocket, T'll make you a suff bet right here if you'll

and the Mississippi River steamers never went from port to port without sensational play, but there was just as much plunging account here. Cambling was recognized as to who had the best hand. "The Colonel's cards were lying face down on the table. He was lighting his

igar without showing a tremor of ex-

The gambler looked at his hand carefully You've got me beat, he said, 'and throw had money there isn't any use to throw had money after a had nigger. Take the pot,' he added, and with that he disclosed three

Why, that's good, old man,' said the tolened, as a big smile came over his face, for I didn't have so much as a pair of "The deed was done, however, and after

ROMANCE OF A ROMAN CROSS.

the Days of Waring's White Wings. Long before the days of the present sysam of collecting household rubbish in New York, many people hired men to remove it once a week. One of these collectors whose territory included several blocks in what was then away uplown was an honest fellow who later became indepen-

Then as now servants were more or less careless about what they threw away The collector referred to lived in Harlem n a shapty He siways drove his load of subblish to his promises, where he sorted it In sorting the collections he frequently found articles of apparent value. Thise or six months. If at the expiration of that inse no article was called for he considered it his property and disposed of it to the best advantage

He notified his patrons that if they missed anything of value to come to his place and examine his basicis. It often occurred that in this way a bit of silverware was recovered.

collection a gold cross. He knew from its size and workmanship that it possessed more than ordinary value. He made requiries of his parrons but none reported the less of any such article. Six months after making the find the old collector took the cross to one of the prin-cipal jeweley houses of the city and asked for a valuation of it. The expert told him the cross was worth \$150 and offered him that sum for it.

On one occasion he found in sorting his

The old man said he could not sell it as it was not his, and then explained her it came to be in his possession. At the seg-gestion of the head of the house the cross was left at the store in the remote hope that he owner might see it and reclaim it. A year from that date one of the customers

"I would give \$250 for it to-day if I could

was lost. The customer pressed the cross to his lips. It was his long lost treasure. When the head of the cancern explained his possession of the cross, he added, "but I valued it at \$160 to the man who left it." The owner called a carriage and drove to the shanty in Harlem where he knew his old collector had formerly lived, but the

his old collector had formerly lived, but the shanty was gone. In its place stood a pretty and modest home. The old collector had retired from business.

In recalling the time when he found the cross it was seen that on the day he gathered it in, the owner had closed his house and started for a tour around the world. Consequently when the old collector went to make any tres the owner of the cross was not at home.

The collector refused to accept any reward although urged to do so. But he is

ward, although urged to do so wearing to this day a valuable watch as a token of his honesty, and the cross recently figured among the wedding presents of the daughter of the man who bought it in Rome, and the old collector who rescued the cross was one of the guests at the mar-riage. The father of the bride in relating incident added:

JUDGES BY PROMOTION.

The nomination by the Republicans of the Fifth Judicial District of Attorney-Justice calls attention to the fact that the office of Attorney-General in New York has been generally regarded as a steppingstone for judicial honors

This is shown not only in the case of M to the bench recently resigned as Justice moment of fewered excitement the Colonel staked his last chance of the black man's ownership on the high card. He was cool term does not expire until 1905. Justice Russell's immediate predecessor as Attorney-General was Hamilton Ward of Wellsville who became a Supreme Court Justice is what is now the Eigath district, and Justice Russell's successor as Attorney-General, Denis O'Brien, is now one of the Judges of the Court of Appeals. In the same way, the office of Corporation

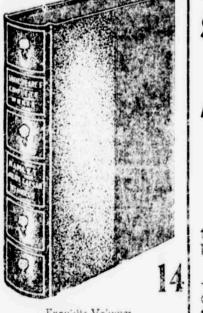
Counsel in New York city leads also to pro-motion to the bench. Two of the present Supreme Court Justices, Morgan J. O'Brien nd Francis M. Scott, formerly held the files. The late Justice Andrews, whose successor is to be elected next month, was the first assistant of William C. Whitney when the latter was Corporation Counsel, and later held the office himself, from

sel before his election as Supreme Court Justice and the rule of promotion has been a pretty general one in this city for a number of years.

A very considerable part of the business which comes before the higher tribunals is based on litigation arising over the con-struction and interpretation of statutes and an Attorney-General in the State Covernment and a Corporation Counsel in the municipal government, the legal advisers

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THE PLAYS EIGHT'S BEST AGE. | hav vrote a comedy called "Damon"

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ably as playwrights grow older they are sore and more inclined to take this view. But history seems to support this theory. I the

One notable instance among contemporary writers is Henrik ibser, who began the series of social dramas that his made him famous after he had passed for Victorien Sardou, who is now 71, wrote "Divorcons," "Fedora," "La Tosca" and "Mine. Sans-tiène" after he was 50, and he was 47 when he gave to the world "Diplomacy," which has been one of his most enduringly successful plays. He wrote many successful plays when he was a young man, but those of his later years have seen, as a rule, much more successful.

Arthur Wing Pinero is now 17, and he was 38 before "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray." | most his greatest success, was acted. Hermann Sudermann found his greatest naccess when he was a few years younger han Mr. Pinero. He was only 35 when Magda" was acted in Berlin. None of his "Magda" was acted in heren. Some of this subsequent plays has been so successful, but that has been due, in a measure, to his selection of less popular themes.

The success of the very young dramatists has always been marked in Sudermann's country. The decayors of the past are

scercely to be compared with the working dramatists of our day, but it is worth while o record that Schiller was not yet 22, when n the summer of 1781, "The Robbers" was William first produced. And Goethe was not 24 Service." when "Gotz von Berlichingen" proclaimed that a new dramatist had arisen. Theoder Korner's "Zriny," which has

wrote a cemedy called "Damon" when he was two to a cemedy called "Damon" when he was 18, but he was 34 before his talents showed themselves fully in "Minna von Barnheim. He was 43 when "Emilia Galotti" was acted, and "Nathan the Wise" appeared in his fiften year. And in Goethe's case his greatest work a playwrights grow older they are ably as playwrights grow older they are antiquity to prove that the best work of the dramatists is done late in life discovered that Sophocles was 94 when he wrote

Shake-beare, who died at the age of 52, bad his greatest successes during the last ten years of his life. Pacine was nearly 60 when "Athalie" was produced, and the most successful of Molière's comedies belong to the later years of his life. Corneille was only 30, however, when be found success in "Le Cid." Edmond Restand is another instance of the young

dramatist who does not have to wait for coos. He was in the early 30s when, 1807, "Cyrano de Bergerac" was acted he past are the majority of his colleagues. Brosson The working Howard was 36 when "The Banker's Daugh-

was a success at the Union Square William Gillette was 42 when "Secret Service," his most popular and best play, was acted. David Belasco, who is about 45, met with his first triumphas a dramatist five years ago in "The Heart of Wary-land"

NEGROES DON'T MIGRATE Interesting Facts About the Colored Race Revealed by the Census.

There were 6,500,000 colored perso in the United States in 1880, 7,500,000 in 1890, and 8,800,000 in 1900. A general movement" of colored inhabitants from one State to another or from one section of the country to another, due to economic, political or hygienic reasons, has been declared to be in progress at intervals of two or three years, since the close of the Civil War.

prove that the colored population of the United States is by no means migratory; it changes little year by year except failed entirely. In Kansas, for instance, there are only 9,000 more colored inhabitants than there were twenty years m week of many colored colonizers

NITRE IN DEATH VALLEY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 28 A specia These nitre deposits are in the famous Death Valley and the nearest value is at Furnace Creek, thirty miles away Boings have been made forty-five feet dea very fine quality the value of the di

ernment and a Corporation Counsel in the municipal government, the legal advisers of the Stare and local governments respectively, have opportunities of getting proficient knowledge on so many of the points in dispute as to render them peculiarly eligible for judicial service.

Theoder Kother's "Zriny, which has municipal government, the legal advisers accretion popularly to this day in Germany, land."

So, there is no reason why any aspiring dramatist should lose hope as he sees the years pass, although all would undoubtedly prefer to be included in that small class were still very young, their best efforts. rish into the new territory and section claims, but there is little chance for these poor miners, as "Borax King" Smith and Millionaire Singleton are equipping a large

name of bluff.
"The Colonel happened to be in the place